| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| EAS | Not started | 963.09 (started on Oct. 1993) | 4115.31 | 9822.98 | 2780.34 |
| IAY | 172.24 | 130.76 | 573.08 | 934.47 | 567.75 |
| MWS | 370.29 | 1898.75 | 1426.60 | 666.70 | 221.77 (upto Dec. 1996) |
| NSAP | Not started | | | 201.10 (Provisional) | 189.64 |

The allocation of funds to various States is made in accordance with the guidelines issued for the purpose. The size of the Ninth Five Year Plan is not yet decided. However, the total outlay for 1997-98 are proposed to be more than the corresponding figures for the current financial year.

**Bank Loan Under IRDP**

3937. SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYEMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether proposals for bank loans under the IRDP are still being handled by the Block Development Officers and are not being placed before the Block-level Panchayati Raj institutions for consideration and approval;

(b) if so, whether any instructions in this regard have been issued by the Government; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI KINJARAPPU YERRANNAIDU) : (a) to (c) The list of families living below poverty line (BPL) is approved by the Gram Sabhas in a general meeting in the presence of Block and Bank Officials. The list is then sent to the Pachayat Samiti, Block and the District Rural Development Agency (DRDA). As far as proposals for bank loans under IRDP are concerned, as per existing guidelines, the application forms of the beneficiaries for loans are prepared in a camp attended by the beneficiaries, the Block functionaries, the other concerned departments including the revenues Department and the bankers. These are then forwarded with suitable project proposals by the Block Development Officer to the DRDA who in turn transmit the same to the banks. A register of all such cases is kept in the Block officer/DRDA.

**Kendriya Bhandar Elections**

3938. SHRI RAMSAGAR :
SHRI JAI PRAKASH (HARDOI) :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Registrar, Cooperative Society, Delhi has advised the Kendriya Bhandar not to hold elections to the Delegates and the Board of Directors;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Board of Directors is represented by five retired Directors;

(d) if so, the reasons for participation of retired Directors;

(e) whether the Government propose to take to review all the decisions taken by the Board of Directors in which the retired Directors participated; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The elections of the delegates in the Kendriya Bhandar were last held in August/September, 1983 and of the Board of Directors in December, 1985. The revised bye-laws of the Kendriya Bhandar which took effect from 10.4.1987 were challenged by some elected Directors/Delegates in the Delhi High Court in 1987. The writ Petition is pending for final disposal before the Delhi High Court. Elections of the Directors/Delegates are to be conducted under the supervision of the Registrar of Cooperative Societies, who has advised that status-quo may be maintained and that elections be held after final judgement of the High Court is available. Applications have been filled in the High Court for early hearing of the case.

(c) and (d) The Board of Directors consists of Chairman, eight Directors nominated by the Government and eight elected Directors. With the retirement of six elected Directors from service and with the disqualification of another elected Director on the ground of his having interest in the business of the Society, the elected side on the Board of Directors has been reduced from eight to one. The Board at present comprises Chairman, eight

Directors nominated by the Government and one elected Director. In order to strengthen the democratic character of the Board, six former Directors and one Delegate who is the Chairman of the Delegates, Forum, are being associated with the deliberations of the Board of Directors as invitees, and do not have either the status of Director or voting rights.

(e) and (f) Do not arise in view of reply to (c) & (d)

*[Translation]*

**Clearance to GPCL**

3939. SHRI N.J. RATHWA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether any proposal has been sent by the Department of Power and Petrochemicals of Gujarat Government to the Union Government regarding clearance in principle to GPCL from Central Electricity Authority during the last three years. till date;

(b) if so, the details and latest position thereof; and

(c) the time by which the clearance is likely to be given to GPCL ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Five project proposals were received in the Central Electricity Authority from Gujarat Power Corporation Limited (GPCL) for accord of 'in-principle'/techno-economic clearance. The details of these projects and their present status is as follows :

| Sl. No. | Name of the Project | Capacity (MW) | Date of Receipt in CEA | Date of issue of IPC | Present Status |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Akrimota Lignite TPS | 240 | 12/93 | 22.7.94 | Project returned on 7/95 as GPCL transferred the project to M/s. GMDC. Subsequently, GMDC was informed on 19.2.1997 that IPC is not required in case of project being executed by State Public undertaking. |
| 2. | Gogha Lignite based Power Plant | 240 | 8/93 | 21.7.94 | Project returned on 12.7.1996 as GPCL is yet to identify the executing agency for the project. |
| 3. | Pipavav duel fuel based Power Station | 615 | 12/93 | – | Project returned on 14.10.1996 as GPCL is vet to identify the executing agency for the project. |
| 4. | Kharsalia Lignite based Power Plant | 120 | 10/95 | – | Project returned on 28.2.1996 as GPCL is yet to identify the executing agency and yet to tie-up inputs/ clearances for the project. |
| 5. | Coal based Coastal Thermal Power Station (near Pipavav) | 1000 | 1/96 | – | Project returned on 17.9.1996 as GPCL is yet to identify the executing agency and yet to tie-up inputs/ clearances for the project. |

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**Drinking Water Projects**

3940. SHRI N.K. PREMCHANDRAN : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state

(a) the details of various drinking water projects pending with the Union Government, State-wise;

(b) the action being taken by the Government on these projects;

(c) the time by which clearance is likely to be given to these projects;

(d) whether sanction and financial assistance has